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National Operations Brief Friday, Aug. 17, 2018

National Response Coordination Center: Steady State

National Watch Center: Steady State

National Preparedness Level: 5 (<http://www.nifc.gov/fireInfo/nfn.htm>)

Joint Field Offices: 15 active; **Major Declarations:** 37; **Emergency Declarations:** 0

Red Flag Warnings: (determined local level): Many areas of Oregon, Idaho and Montana.

Critical fire weather conditions: (determined local level) none expected

Elevated fire weather conditions: (determined local level) effect for California, Nevada, Idaho, Oregon and Washington

Isolated Dry Thunderstorm: Possible for Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming

Space Weather: past 24 hours – none observed; next 24 hours – none

(<http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/communities/space-weather-enthusiasts>)

Tropical Activity:

Atlantic:

- NHC is issuing advisories on Tropical Storm Ernesto located several hundred miles SE of Cape Race, Newfoundland.

Eastern North Pacific:

- The National Hurricane Center is issuing advisories on Hurricane Lane, located 1720 miles east-southeast of Hilo, Hawaii. Lane is forecast to cross into Central Pacific AOR on Saturday.

Central Pacific:

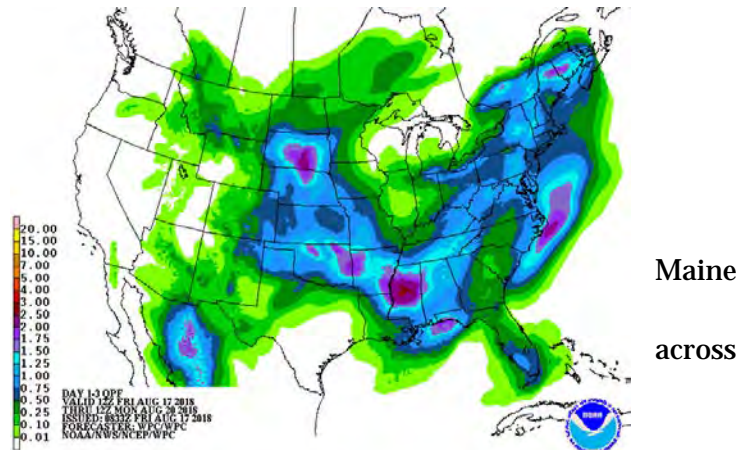
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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Outlook

Today: Friday, August 17, 2018:

<http://www.spc.noaa.gov/>

- Severe thunderstorms are possible from eastern Pennsylvania thru central New England.
- Chances for flash flooding move into by Saturday, as well as Ohio River valley.
- Flash flooding potential remains high portions of Southern Plains for the entire weekend.



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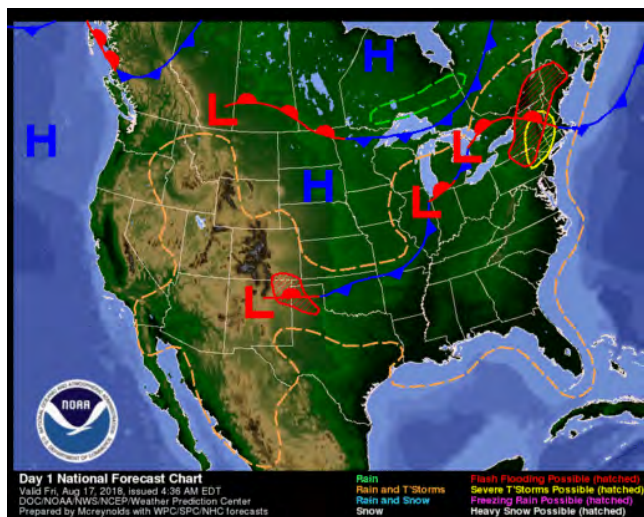
Tomorrow: Saturday, August 18, 2018:

- Primary feature of concern Saturday will be a shortwave trough that is forecast to move from the northern Rockies into the central High Plains Saturday afternoon and evening.
- Isolated strong to severe storms with damaging wind and hail will be possible, primarily over the central and southern High Plains region Saturday afternoon and evening.

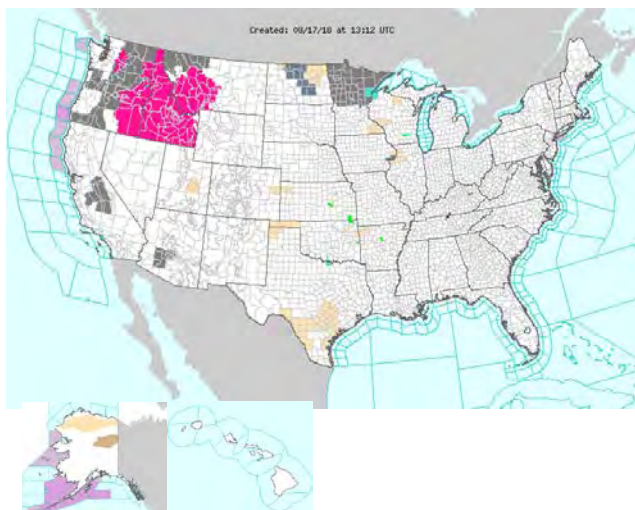
Day 3: Sunday, August 19, 2018:

- Shortwave trough that had been over central Rockies is forecast to move into the central High Plains. A strong cold front will be progressing out of Canada into Montana and the Dakotas sparking off showers and some thunderstorms.
- Isolated strong to severe storms with damaging wind and hail will be possible, primarily over the central and southern High Plains region Sunday afternoon and evening.

Today's Weather Outlook



Current Watches and Warnings



<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/largemap.php>

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/outlook_tab.php

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National Terrorism Advisory System provides information on homeland security issues, distributed by Department of Homeland Security. More information available: www.dhs.gov/advisories. To receive mobile updates: <https://twitter.com/dhs.gov>

Health Information:

- Seasonal Influenza - <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/>
 - 2017-18 number of pediatric deaths reported as of week 31, August 4, 2018 – 179
- Influenza (Flu) - CDC's Home page for Influenza <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm>
- CIDRAP News and Perspective (hyperlink - Center for Infectious Disease Research & Policy) <http://www.cidrap.umn.edu/news-perspective>
- [Global Alert and Response Disease Outbreak News](#) (hyperlink World Health Organization)
- [Listing of latest U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Recalls, Market Withdrawals, & Safety Alerts](#) provides "Sign up to receive Recalls, Market Withdrawals and Safety Alerts"
- U.S. Dept. Agriculture - [Food Safety/Inspection Service current recalls/alerts](#)
- Food Safety News: [Foodborne Illness Outbreaks](#) and [Food Safety News](#)
- [Sweden investigates nationwide E. coli outbreak; source unknown](#)